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than two lenders of private education loans that are not affiliates of each other included on the preferred lender list; and

- (ii) The preferred lender list under paragraph (d) of this section—
- (A) Specifically indicates, for each listed lender, whether the lender is or is not an affiliate of each other lender on the preferred lender list; and
- (B) If a lender is an affiliate of another lender on the preferred lender list, describes the details of such affiliation;
- (3) Prominently disclose the method and criteria used by the institution in selecting lenders with which to participate in preferred lender arrangements to ensure that such lenders are selected on the basis of the best interests of the borrowers, including—
- (i) Payment of origination or other fees on behalf of the borrower;
- (ii) Highly competitive interest rates, or other terms and conditions or provisions of Title IV, HEA program loans or private education loans;
- (iii) High-quality servicing for such loans; or
- (iv) Additional benefits beyond the standard terms and conditions or provisions for such loans;
- (4) Exercise a duty of care and a duty of loyalty to compile the preferred lender list under paragraph (d) of this section without prejudice and for the sole benefit of the students attending the institution, or the families of such students; and
- (5) Not deny or otherwise impede the borrower's choice of a lender or cause unnecessary delay in loan certification under title IV of the HEA for those borrowers who choose a lender that is not included on the preferred lender list.

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## § 601.11 Private education loan disclosures and self-certification form.

(a) A covered institution, or an institution-affiliated organization of such covered institution, that provides information regarding a private education loan from a lender to a prospective borrower must provide private education loan disclosures to the pro-

spective borrower, regardless of whether the covered institution or institution-affiliated organization participates in a preferred lender arrangement.

- (b) The private education loan disclosures must—
- (1) Provide the prospective borrower with the information the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System requires to be disclosed under section 128(e)(1) of the Truth in Lending Act (15 U.S.C. 1638(e)(1)) for such loan;
- (2) Inform the prospective borrower
- (i) The prospective borrower may qualify for loans or other assistance under title IV of the HEA; and
- (ii) The terms and conditions of Title IV, HEA program loans may be more favorable than the provisions of private education loans.
- (c) The covered institution or institution-affiliated organization must ensure that information regarding private education loans is presented in such a manner as to be distinct from information regarding Title IV, HEA program loans.
- (d) Upon an enrolled or admitted student applicant's request for a private education loan self-certification form, an institution must provide to the applicant, in written or electronic form—
- (1) The self-certification form for private education loans developed by the Secretary in consultation with the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, to satisfy the requirements of section 128(e)(3) of the Truth in Lending Act (15 U.S.C. 1638(e)(3)); and
- (2) The information required to complete the form, to the extent the institution possesses such information as specified in 34 CFR 668.14(b)(29).

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## § 601.12 Use of institution and lender name.

A covered institution, or an institution-affiliated organization of such covered institution, that participates in a preferred lender arrangement with a lender regarding private education loans must—